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**HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 14-1005**

101     **CONCERNING RECOGNITION OF MILITARY, VETERANS, AND MIA/POW**  
102             **APPRECIATION DAY.**

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1             WHEREAS, Colorado has a proud and distinguished history of  
2     dedicated military service by men and women of this state whose courage,  
3     heroism, and sacrifice preserve the liberties and democratic way of life set  
4     forth in our state and federal constitutions; and

5             WHEREAS, Colorado benefits significantly from the presence and  
6     military service of the more than 53,000 men and women in our state who  
7     serve in the United States Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, and  
8     Coast Guard; the branch Reserves; the Colorado National Guard; and the  
9     Civil Air Patrol; and

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.  
*Capital letters indicate new material to be added to existing statute.*  
*Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.*

1           WHEREAS, The men and women of the Colorado National Guard  
2 have served in defense of our nation and as the first military responders  
3 in support of civil authorities during domestic emergencies and are  
4 celebrating their 154th anniversary this year; and

5           WHEREAS, In times of conflict around the globe, it is particularly  
6 appropriate to recognize the Coloradans in all branches and components  
7 of the Armed Services who serve around the world to protect the security  
8 and peace of our nation and other nations; and

9           WHEREAS, In addition to active members of the Armed Services,  
10 Colorado is the proud home of more than 391,000 military veterans who  
11 have served their country long and well and who bring great honor and  
12 distinction to the state; and

13           WHEREAS, Colorado is home not only to active duty service  
14 personnel and veterans but also to the countless family members of these  
15 men and women who display the same dedication, courage, and sacrifice;  
16 and

17           WHEREAS, We should also never forget the sacrifices made for  
18 us by the 94 men from Colorado declared missing in action or prisoners  
19 of war while defending the principles of liberty and justice in conflicts in  
20 Korea, Laos, and Vietnam; now, therefore,

21           *Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Sixty-ninth*  
22 *General Assembly of the State of Colorado, the Senate concurring herein:*

23           (1) That we, the members of the Sixty-ninth General Assembly,  
24 hereby extend our heartfelt gratitude to our state's veterans, past and  
25 present, to all military men and women currently serving in the Armed  
26 Services, and to the family members of active duty personnel and  
27 veterans, and that we remember and honor those prisoners of war and  
28 those missing in action from previous conflicts; and

29           (2) That we encourage the citizens of Colorado to join in the  
30 celebration of Colorado's Military, Veterans, and MIA/POW  
31 Appreciation Day on January 27, 2014, in recognition and honor of the  
32 thousands of fellow citizens in the military who protect and serve their  
33 communities, state, and country.

34           *Be It Further Resolved,* That copies of this Joint Resolution be sent

1 to President Barack Obama; Governor John Hickenlooper; Lieutenant  
2 General Michelle Johnson, Superintendent, United States Air Force  
3 Academy; Major General H. Michael Edwards, Adjutant General of  
4 Colorado; Major General Paul LaCamera, Commanding General, 4th  
5 Infantry Division and Fort Carson; Colonel Dan Wright, Commander of  
6 the 460th Space Wing, Buckley Air Force Base; Colonel James Ross,  
7 Commander, 50th Space Wing, Schriever Air Force Base; Colonel John  
8 Shaw, Commander, 21st Space Wing, Peterson Air Force Base; the  
9 Colorado Board of Veterans Affairs; the United Veterans Committee of  
10 Colorado; Mountain States Chapter Paralyzed Veterans of America; the  
11 American Legion Department of Colorado; Department of Colorado  
12 Veterans of Foreign Wars; Broomfield Veterans Memorial Museum;  
13 Wings Over the Rockies Air and Space Museum; and each member of  
14 Colorado's Congressional delegation.